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#### SUMMONS.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Nevada, in and for the

County of Nye. Action brought in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of Nye, and the Com-plaint filed in said County of Nye in the office of the Clerk of said District Court. Cassie Barnett, Plaintiff. vs. J. W.

Barnett, Defendant. The State of Nevada sends greet-

Barnett, Defendant, You are hereby required to pear in an action brought against on by the above-named Plaintiff in the District Court of the Fifth Ju dicial District of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of Nye and to answer the Complaint filed within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the serv you of this Summons, within this county; or, served out of this county, but in district, within twenty days; otherwise, within forty days; or judgment by default will be taken against you, according to the prayer of said Complaint.

The said action is brought to dissolve the bonds of matrimony now existing between Plaintiff and Defendant on the grounds of neglect of the befendant, for over a period of one year, to provide Plaintiff with the common necessaries of when such neglect was not the result of poverty on the part of Defendant, which he could not avoid by ordinary industry. That De-fendant without excuse and with the ability to provide said common neclife for Plaintiff failed and neglected to do so for over a eriod-of one year.

This action is also brought for the purpose of decreeing any property heretofore acquired or held by Plaintiff, at time of judgment, to

her own separate property. And you are further notified that on fail to appear and answer Complaint, as above required, said Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein. Given under my hand and to Seal of the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State Nevada, in and for the County Nye this first day of November, in the Year of Our Lord One Thou sand Nine Hundred and Eleven (Senl) ROBERT G. POHL

By LOWELL DANIELS, Deputy Clerk C. L. RICHARDS. Attorney for Plaintiff.

## Claims His Family Was Swindled out of Thirty to Sixty Million Dollars

has written a story which is pub- and to furnish the rolling stor lished in the Carson News, show- and haul our ore from Stony Brook ing when John D. Rockefeller robbed his family out of millions of dollars. This article in full is republished:

To the Editor of the News: At your request and for the information of my many friends throughout the state of and to correct any misunderstanding that might have been caused through the investigations of the steel trust, I desire to make the following statement:

in the early eighties valuable iron discoveries were discovered in the Vermillion range, about 120 miles in a northerly direction from Duluth, Minn. A railroad was built is transport the ore. In crossing the east end of the Mesaba range about 50 miles north from Duluth in making a cut for the railroad signs of iron ore were discovered. Some gentleman connected with the the mines on the Vermillion range took options on a large body of land on the eastern end of the Mesaba range. They spent about \$60,000 in exploration work, finding nothing of value, they threw up their options and condemned the range. The Minnesota Iron Mines at Vermillion and the Duluth and Iron Range railroad that was built to transport their ore afterwards became the property of the Illinois Steel company. In '87, my brother C. C. Merritt discovered ore on the western Mesaba range. ritts, who were lumbermen, came interested on extensive explorattons during the summer of '88 and '89 and secured valuable locations, both in fee and by lease. They were poor men. The state geologists of Minnesota and Wisconsin, having examined the range, condemned it. The Illinois Steel company had already condemned it. In trying to raise money to develop this range we were capped because of these adverse reports, but we were determined to show up the range and prove

that our judgment was correct. The Merritt brothers and their children worked together shoulder to shoulder for five years. It was They went hard struggle. through many dangers and endured many privations but by the fall of 92, they had proven up over 100,-000,000 tons of high-grade, soft Bessemer ore. It lay very near the surface and by stripping off from 10 to 20 feet of dirt the ore could be mined at a total expense for stripping and mining of 25c a ton. The ore was mined by a steam ton car could be loaded in fiv-

Assemblyman Merritt of Fallon an ore dock at Superior, Wis. Junction to the ore dock at Su-

In the winter of '92, the Winnipeg rallroad went into the hands of a receiver and were not able to carry out their contract. In order to carry out our contracts with different mines and make our mines and our railroad a success, it was necessary to build a line from Stony Brook Junction to Duluth and to build ore docks at Duluth. This was an expensive piece of road to build and in order to build this 26-mile extention and dock, it would be necessary to have about \$3,000,-Our mines and railroad, in 000. which the Merritts owned the controlling interest, was considered worth at that time from \$30,000. 000 to \$60,000,000. An old-time triend of ours advised us to open negotiations with Mr. Rockefeller. This was about the first of Janu-Immediately after we '93. had opened negotiations with Mr. Rockefeller, the Duluth and Iron Range people offered us \$7,000,000 for our property. We refused it, knowing that this was too cheap. The negotiations were carried on through Mr. C. W. Wetmore, a tool of Mr. Rockefeller. Mr. Wetmore and Mr. George Wellwood Murray, Mr. Rockefeller's private attorney, came to Duluth and conducted the negotiations in Mr. Rockefeller's terms of this contract, they were to furnish \$2,500,000 in cash and take in payments bonds of the Duluth, Mesaga and Northern railroad at 80c on the dollar. The money was to be paid to the railroad on enginers' statements as the work progressed.

Having faith in this contract, the

Merritts immediately after the ex-

ecution of said contract, let the contract for the building of the railroad and contracted for all the material that was necessary in the construction of the ore dock. Wet more and his associates failed to furnish the money as agreed upon which greatly embarrassed the railroad in their work. Lon Merritt and I went to New Mr. Rockefeller claimed that he had not agreed to back up Mr. a contract was agreed to between the Merritts and Rockefeller by the terms of which the Merritts were to put the railroad and mines into a new company called the Lake Superior Consolidated Iron Mines. This company was capitalized for \$30,000,000. The Merritts received shovel. The railroad cars were stock in this company in lieu of run into an open pit and a thirty- their holdings. Mr. Rockefeller period she was often seen in comowned some 11-29, 12-6, 13, 20, 27; 1-3, 10 minutes. We had built over a Spanish America and also a prophundred miles of railroad to the erty on a Michigan range called three principal mines. Our railroad the Penoka and Gogebic mines. Mr. that was to come, and for once joined to the Winnipeg railroad at Rockefeller and associates repre-Stony Brook Junction, 26 miles sented these mines to be very valu-Bring Results from Duluth. The Winnipeg rail- able and in good financial condiroad was under contract to build tion. Mr. Rockefeller received \$3,-000,000 of bonds in the Lake Superior Consolidation company, in payment for these properties. As an inducement to get us to enter into this contract, C. W. Wetmore and the Rev. Fred T. Gates, Mr. Rockefeller's private secretary and the dispenser of his charities, told us that as soon as it was known on the Street that Mr. Rockefeller was interested with us in the consolidation, we could easily borrow from 30c to 40c on a dollar, using our stock as collateral. They cited as proof of this assertion the great value of Standard Oll stock. As soon as the consolidation was formed, it was rumored on the Street that Rockefeller had the Merritts in his grasp and that the Penoka and Gogebic mine was absolutely bankrupt and \$1,200,000 in the hole. I was told that a statement had been sent to Rockefeller about 30 days before the execution of the consolidation contract, August 28. The Pencka and Gogebic properties being a part of the consolidated company and I, being a director of this company, I forced Mr. Murray to let me see this statement. 1 also forced him to let me take a copy in my possession. At this time we were owing Mr. Rockefelter about \$900,000, practically all of our stock was up as security. Things went from bad to worse. We tried in all the financial centers to borrow money to pay Rockefeller, but failed. Finally about the first of February, Mr. Rockefel- office-25c per hundred,

ler gave us one day's notice to either pay up or take 10c on a dollar on the stock that he held as collateral or that he would sell the stock at auction. The stock had no sale and had become practically worthless in the eyes of the public because of Mr. Rockefeller's having taken \$2,000,000 of bonds of worthless property. So we took the 10c on the dollar, paid our debts to Mr. Rockefeller, had scarcely enough money to pay our way home. A suit followed in the federal court at Duluth. We won out but were reversed in the upper court. The trouble had killed our brother Cassius. Lon and Alf, the principle witnesses, were on the verge of a nervous prostration. We had lost faith in the upper courts, so we finally settled for \$525,00 Rockefeller and Gates both perjured themselves in the law suit, swearing that they thought property all right, August, 28, and for over a year neither one of them dared to enter the state of Minnesota for fear of arrest.

We went to New York with between \$30,000,000 and \$60,000,000 of property. We borrowed less than \$900,000 of Mr. Rockefeller and when we left New York all our property was in the hands of John D. Rockefeller. The total cost of the mines and railroad to Rockefeller, first and last, including all legitimate law suit expenses, was \$1,700,000. many years it has earned more than \$5,000,000 a year net, and when the Steel Trust was organized, Mr. Rockefeller sold it to the Steel Trust for \$80,000,000.

A. R. MERRITT.

# MAY SOON ENTER MARRIED STATE

ANNOUNCED THAT STATE CHIEF EXECUTIVE WILL SOON BE A BENEDICT.

RENO, Nev., Jan. 9 .- Cupid, the careless little god of love, has been reports received in Reno yesterday, and it is announced that before the coming summer gives way to the fail season that Governor Tasker L. Oddie will cease to maintain bachelor quurters in the governor's mansion and that the mistress of the mansion will be Hartley Baker, of Oakland. When asked concerning the engagement, Governor Oddle last night refused to either affirm or deny the report, although it has been known for some time, but no announcement has been made.

Mrs. Dale Baker, the widow of the late Rives Baker, of Oakland, spent several months last summer visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cleve H. Baker at Carson and during that iron properties in pany with the chief executive of the state. The Carson gossips lost no time in whispering of a wedding it appears that Dame Gossip v correct in her surmises.

> Mrs. Dale Baker is at present b Oakland. It is understood that the wedding will take place in April or May and will be performed in Carson City.

\$30,000 OUT OF KEANE WONDER FOR NOVEMBER

The yield for the month of November at the Keane Wonder mine has been cleaned up and the bullion shipped. This is the largest yet made for a like period and exceeds \$30,000.

The cleanup for the month of October did not quite reach \$30,-000, but the average for several months past has been very nearly

that sum. The ore now being extracted is the best ever encountered in this property, having a greater uniform value than any large quantity yet treated. The mine is in excellent condition, the reduction plant thought is in fine shape, and the weather at the property is now at

BARTINE APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF BOARD

Monday morning Governor Oddie, copy of this statement. I have this Lieutenant Governor Ross and Attorney General Baker held a meeting to appoint a chairman of the state board of railroad commissloners. H. F. Bartine was the appointee, the term being for three years from the first of February.

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